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Mr. Chris Axworthy, M.P.
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House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Axworthy:

Thank you for your letter of February 23, 1990 concerning the National Workshop on Environmental Sensitivity to be held May 24, 1990 in Ottawa.

The workshop will address not only research but also the social and educational needs related to environmental sensitivity. Of critical importance in order to develop policies and help those who need assistance is to define the content and burden of the condition. Without some baseline parameters we will be unable to target priority areas and will have no reference point to know if we have made any progress at all.

The voluntary agencies that will be invited to the workshop include the Allergy Information Association, Allergy and Environmental Health Association and the Canadian Society for Environmental Medicine. Other participants will include the Canadian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, Canadian Medical Association, federal and provincial representatives and researchers. These participants

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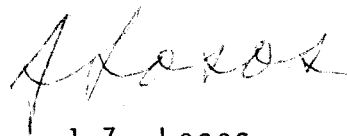
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were suggested by a meeting of scientific groups with representatives of patients' organizations. We have been careful to get a representative and productive mix of groups who can collaborate to try and begin to resolve this complex problem.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.
We will make all workshop results available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Losos', with a stylized, cursive script.

J.Z. Losos
Director General

cc: The Honourable Perrin Beatty